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VIENNA FOR MBFR DEL; SHAPE FOR POLAD

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SUBJECT: MBFR - US OPENING STATEMENT

REF: NATO 4871 AND 4872

1. TICKELL TOLD US TODAY THAT HE THOUGHT US DRAFT
OPENING STATEMENT FOR MBFR NEGOTIATIONS WAS EXCELLENT.
IT WAS PERHAPS A BIT LONG BUT THAT WAS THE AFFAIR OF THE
US. HE DID NOT FAULT IT FOR BEING SO SPECIFIC. TICKELL
NOTED THAT INSTRUCTIONS TO UKNATO ARE NOW BEING CLEARED
IN WHITEHALL. PRINCIPAL POINTS ON WHICH UK TAKES ISSUE
WITH US CONCERN (A) OUR MENTION OF PARITY WHICH TICKELL
THOUGHT SHOULD BE STATED IN TERMS OF COMMON CEILING;
(B) DETAIL WITH WHICH US STATEMENT TREATS STABILIZING
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MEASURES (BRITISH THINK THIS PASSAGE SHOULD BE MORE

GENERAL); AND (C) US TREATMENT OF PHASE TWO. IN BRIEF, TICKELL INDICATED THAT BRITISH WOULD NOT, IF INSTRUCTIONS TO UKNATO HE HAD DRAFTED WERE CLEARED, PRESS US TO SHORTEN OR DILUTE STATEMENT. UK WOULD HAVE SPECIFIC SUGGESTIONS TO MAKE ON POINTS MENTIONED ABOVE, BUT WOULD DO SO IN POSITIVE SPIRIT.

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